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## <u>AMENDMENT</u>

Assistant Commissioner for Patents And Trademarks Washington, D.C. 20231 May 19, 2003

Sir:

In response to the Examiner's Office Action dated December 18, 2002, the period for response having been extended three (3) months to May 19, 2003, the following amendments and remarks are respectfully submitted in connection with the above-identified application.

# IN THE CLAIMS

Please cancel claim 5, without prejudice or disclaimer of the subject contained RECEIVED therein.

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Please amend the claims as follows:

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1. (Amended) A receiving beam-forming method comprising:

arranging 'n' ultrasonic transducer elements into a predetermined form; 05/20/2003 FFANAEIA 00000079 09672879

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